

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

The claims in this listing will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application.

LISTING OF CLAIMS

1. (Currently Amended) A ~~network~~ scanner for reading an original document and forwarding read data to a designated terminal connected to a network, comprising:

an operating panel including configured to input ~~means~~ and display ~~means~~ a processing condition, the processing condition including file format information; and control means for acquiring information on a controller that acquires the processing condition by controlling from the operating panel so as to allow an operator to carry out a prescribed input operation via the operating panel, and executing the executes processes of reading an original document, generating generates transmission data according to the file format information input from the operation panel and forwarding forwards the transmission data to a designated terminal according to the acquired processing condition.

2. (Cancelled)

3. (Currently Amended) ~~A network~~ The scanner according to claim [[2]] 1, wherein the ~~control means~~ operation panel displays an icon indicating a selected ~~one of the file~~ formats ~~format on the display means~~.

4. (Currently Amended) ~~A network~~ The scanner according to claim 1, wherein the ~~control means~~ processing condition includes a file name for the transmission data, and the ~~controller~~ allows an operator to ~~select a~~ input the file name for the transmission data from the operating panel ~~as a~~ processing condition.

5. (Currently Amended) ~~A network~~ The scanner according to claim 4, wherein the ~~input means~~ of the operating panel comprises keys that ~~allow entry of~~ configured to input characters, and the ~~control means~~ controller allows [[an]] the operator to ~~enter a~~ input the file name, the file name comprising ~~consisting of~~ a string of characters input by operating the keys.

6. (Currently Amended) ~~A network~~ The scanner according to claim 5, wherein the ~~control means~~ controller allows an operator to select one of a standard file name stored in a memory unit and an arbitrary file name that can be entered from the ~~input means~~ operation panel.

7. (Currently Amended) ~~A network~~ The scanner according to claim 5, wherein the operating panel includes a touch panel ~~that serves as both the~~ input means and display means, and the ~~control means~~ controller displays a keyboard containing a plurality of the keys ~~for entering characters when an entry of a~~ to input the file name is invited on a ~~screen for designating a~~ processing condition.

8. (Currently Amended) A ~~network~~ The scanner according to claim 1, further comprising a ~~printer recording unit for printing said read data~~.

9. (Currently Amended) A ~~network~~ scanner for reading an original document and forwarding read data to a designated terminal connected to a network, comprising:

 a reading unit ~~for reading that reads~~ an original document by scanning and generating corresponding image data;

 a transmission data composing unit ~~for processing said that processes the image~~ data into transmission data;

 a network control unit ~~for forwarding said that forwards the transmission data to a~~ plurality of terminals connected to said the network;

 an operating panel including a display unit and a plurality of input keys; and
 a control unit ~~for controlling actions of said that controls the reading unit, the~~ transmission data composing unit, the network control unit and the operating panel;

 wherein the operating panel is configured to allow an operator to select image processing conditions of the image data ~~said display unit is adapted to list choices of said terminals and image processing conditions while said input keys are adapted to allow selection of said terminals and image processing conditions under control of said control unit,~~

the image processing conditions comprising at least one of a file name and a file format.

10. (Currently Amended) ~~A network~~ The scanner according to claim 9, wherein ~~said~~
the display unit comprises a touch panel that provides at least one of said input keys.

11. (Currently Amended) ~~A network~~ The scanner according to claim 9, wherein ~~said~~
the image processing conditions include at least one of a ~~member of group consisting of a~~
~~file name, file format, resolution power, a density, an~~ original document size, ~~a~~ copy size
and ~~an~~ image processing method for said the image data.

12. (Currently Amended) ~~A network~~ The scanner according to claim 9, wherein ~~said~~
the transmission data is transmitted as electronic mail.

13. (Currently Amended) ~~A network~~ The scanner according to claim 9, wherein ~~said~~
the network scanner is incorporated with a function of a facsimile machine.

14. (Currently Amended) ~~A network~~ The scanner according to claim 9, further
comprising a recording unit ~~for printing that prints~~ said the image data.

15. (Currently Amended) ~~A network~~ The scanner according to claim 14, wherein
~~said~~ the network scanner is incorporated with a function of a copier.